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UoM Centenary Convocation

PM Modi pays tributes to Mysore rulers

- 30 students receive Gold Medals
- Sudha Murty conferred with Hon. Doctorate in absentia

Dignitaries watching live-streaming of UoM Centenary Convocation address by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at Crawford Hall in city this morning. Picture right shows Kavya S. Bhat, a visually impaired student, who secured two gold medals in MA Political Science, receiving the medals from Higher Education Minister and Pro-Chancellor Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan and UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar as Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. K.M. Mahadevan looks on.

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (SSV)- Batting for the proposed National Education Policy (NEP), Prime Minister Narendra Modi this morning sought support from one and all for the new Policy which aims at making fundamental changes in the field of education from pre-nursery to Ph.D and to make youths competitive.

Delivering the Centenary Convocation address of University of Mysore (UoM) virtually, the PM said: "the NEP has given more impetus on multi-dimensional approach to the education system. The young generation must be trained to suit jobs depending upon their choice. For it, they needed adaptability, skilling, re-skilling and up-skilling. It was heartening to note that the UoM is implementing the NEP in letter and spirit. Though the NEP is multi-dimensional programme, it will allow students to study global technology and local culture simultaneously. The future is dependent on aspiration and capability."

Paying rich tributes to Wadiyars of Mysore, Modi said: "We must salute Rajarshi Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar and *Bharat Ratna* Sir M. Visvesvaraya, two visionaries who started this University. Nalwadi delivered the first Convocation address 102 years ago. Nalwadi, in his Convocation address, had said that he has seen only 10 lady graduates and wanted that number of increase. Now, women have outnumbered men in securing degrees. This indicated the paradigm shift in according top priority to women education. Even the gross enrolment ratio of girls has exceeded boys in many branches. Four years ago, the percentage of girl students was only 5 percent and now it has increased to almost 20 percent."

(See MODI on page 6)

Centrally sponsored schemes in district

MP chairs progress review meeting

MP Pratap Simha

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (MTY&DM)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha chaired a progress review meeting of the District Development Co-ordination and Monitoring Committee, in respect of Centrally sponsored schemes, at the ZP Hall here this morning.

Briefing newspersons after the meeting, Pratap Simha said that the Centre has sanctioned Rs.168 crore for beautification of the Ring Road and it is disappointing to note that debris, garbage and wastes are being dumped on both sides of the Ring Road.

(See MEETING on page 7)

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Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	404
Total positive cases	:	45,042
Discharges yesterday	:	353
Total discharges	:	36,823
Deaths yesterday	:	1
Total deaths	:	923
Total active cases	:	7,296

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 19th October 2020

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Oct. 19- The Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) has awarded Ph.D in Kannada Literature to **K.C. Gayathri** for her thesis 'Chamarajanagara Jilla Janpada' submitted under the guidance of Dr. T.M. Geethanjali.

University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Genetics to **Dr. D.R. Mahadeshwara Prasad** for his thesis 'Cellular and Genotoxicity of Diesel Combustion Nanoparticles in Humans' submitted under the guidance of Dr. S.S. Malini.

Ashwini Ramesh has been awarded Ph.D in Communication and Journalism by the UoM for her thesis 'A Comparison of Media Frames in Print and Television News: An Analysis of Major Political News Events in India' [Guide: Dr. N. Usha Rani].

R. Swapna Sonale has been awarded Ph.D in Chemistry by the UoM for her thesis 'Characterisation of Bioactive Compounds from Neem (Azadirachta indica A. Juss) Obtained by Supercritical Fluid Carbon dioxide process' submitted under the guidance of Dr. K. Ramalakshmi.

Maryam Anbarsouz has been awarded Ph.D in Economics by the UoM for her thesis 'Impact of Information and Communication Technology (ICTS) on the Banking Sector in India: A Case Study of Karnataka' [Guide: Dr. M. Indira].

B.M. Indrukumar has been awarded Ph.D in Economics by the UoM for his thesis 'An Empirical Study of Household Expenditure on Higher Education in Karnataka' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M. Indira.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The Hindi film industry, or Bollywood as it is popularly known, has finally woken up. To counter the smear campaign launched by certain news channels to tarnish its image and invade the privacy of its leading actors, several producers and actors have filed a lawsuit in the Delhi High Court. Bollywood's collective action to expose the fake media trial is welcome. The industry has shown a united front because its interests are being compromised. The news campaign might have an effect on the movie business leading to the boycott of certain films. This collective outburst shouldn't be misconstrued as a unified condemnation of the quality and health of television news in the country. It is a protest to ensure that Bollywood's economic interests aren't undermined. Further action should lead to boycott of film awards and magazines that belong to the same media conglomerate that also owns one of these news channels engaged in spewing venom against the industry. While there may not be a radical shift in Bollywood, we certainly hope that this intervention will help to reduce the toxicity of some news channels and their anchors if not obliterate it.

—Kunal Ray in The Hindu

NEWS SPARKLERS

Soviet aircraft rusting away on beach

Derbent: The futuristic looking MD-160 Lun-class ekranoplan, developed during the 1980's in Soviet Russia, that had been sitting unused at a Russian naval base since the late 1990's, but has now been beached on the shores of the Caspian Sea, as part of a plan to turn it into an ocean-side tourist attraction.

Known as the Caspian Sea Monster, the giant ekranoplan was designed in 1975 by Rostislav Evgenievich Alexeyev, a prominent developer of hydrofoil ships and ground effect vehicles. The experimental aircraft got its nickname from the CIA. When spy satellite photos revealed this giant airplane with "KM" stamped on the wings, they named it Kaspian Monster, not knowing that the letters actually stood for Korabl-Maket (Prototype Ship). There is the sad possibility that it will be pummeled to pieces by the waves. A tragic ending for one of the most visually-impressive aircrafts ever built.

Iron Man balloon triggers panic in UP

Dankaur: Residents of Dankaur town in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh (UP), feared of an alien invasion after spotting a balloon in the shape of fictional comic character Iron Man in the skies. The balloon filled with gas, that resembled a robot due to its Iron Man structure, was spotted over the town early Saturday morning, which later landed in a canal near Bhatta Parsaul village.

A crowd gathered at the spot to see what some of them thought was "an alien", Police officials said. He said a major reason behind the anxiety among people was the unusual shape of the balloon. There was nothing harmful in the object but it is yet to be known who let it loose it in the air, the official added.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What is my risk of getting high blood pressure?

According to the Framingham heart study, the lifetime risk of developing high blood pressure (hypertension) is around 90 percent.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	308
Total positive cases	:	15,136
Total discharges	:	13,095
Total deaths	:	134
Total active cases	:	1,907

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	60
Total positive cases	:	5,539
Total discharges	:	4,674
Total deaths	:	99
Total active cases	:	755

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	72
Total positive cases	:	4,420
Total discharges	:	3,617
Total deaths	:	57
Total active cases	:	746

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	257
Total positive cases	:	23,276
Total discharges	:	19,833
Total deaths	:	356
Total active cases	:	3,087

Really...?

- *The fingerprints of a koala are so indistinguishable from humans that they have on occasion been confused at a crime scene.*
- *It is possible to hypnotise a frog by placing it on its back and gently stroking its stomach.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Why did the mushroom go to the party?

Because he was a fungi.

Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 73.40
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 94.89
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.89
1 Euro	= Rs. 85.93

VOICE OF THE READER

Pave the footpath for pedestrians

Sir,

I shifted to Mysuru two years ago as it was considered a clean and healthy city. I go on my morning walk daily on Lalitha Mahal Helipad Road but of late, I am unable to walk as vehicles zoom past in break-neck speed.

I am witness to 4 or 5 accidents at the junction after the U-turn towards Helipad Road. Also, there is no footpath on both sides of road leading to Helipad and towards JC Road.

The footpaths are heavily covered with thorny bushes and parthenium weeds *(see pics)*.

As a result, we walkers, most of them senior citizens, are at risk to be hit by moving vehicles.

After I witnessed another accident yesterday morning, I contacted the area Corporator who has agreed to pave the footpath for the pedestrians.

—Kusum Achia
on e-mail

K.C. Layout
15.10.2020

Obituary

Kiriyamada Bimani Belliappa

Mysuru, Oct. 19- Kiriyamada Bimani Belliappa (74), retired Director of the Department of Youth Services and Sports, Bengaluru and a resident of Hudikeri (Ponnampet) in Kodagu, passed away at a private hospital in Mysuru this morning.

An athletic coach, who had produced several outstanding sports personalities including Olympians Arjun Devaiah and Pramila Aiyappa, many of them who are Ekalavya awardees, he was a bachelor and leaves behind family members and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed in Mysuru this morning.

K.G. Puttaraju

K.G. Puttaraju (72), a retired teacher and a resident of Vijayanagar 4th Stage, passed away yesterday following heart attack. A native of Kaggere village in K.R. Nagar taluk, he had served for a decade at Hebbale High School in Somwarpet taluk of Kodagu.

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at Kaggere yesterday.

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Electricity bill payment made easy

CESC staff will personally come to collect bill amount from senior citizens

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (RK&SSV)- Payment of monthly electricity bill is being made easy by Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) as part of Smart Grid Project implemented in city. Accordingly, arrangements are going on for the dispatch of monthly electricity bill online to all customers. Already, Smart Meters have been installed in every house and power supply to all 24,532 meters will be controlled through Online Smart Grid Software.

Henceforth, CESC will send the electricity bill to the registered mobile phone number. The CESC staff was visiting every house in Layouts and Extension areas and had collected the customers' RR Number, mobile phone number and e-mail address in the prescribed form.

CESC Superintending Engineer K.M. Munigopalraju told *Star of Mysore* that smart meters have been installed in all houses to enable the customers to pay the electricity bill online. "This will prevent the meter readers from visiting every house to check the consumption and issue the bill manually. In case the customers are unable to make payment online, they can visit the nearest cash counter to pay. For the convenience of senior citizens, the CESC staff will visit personally to receive the bill amount and issue receipt. The adoption of this technology will ensure quality power supply to the customers," he added.

The smart remote-sensing electricity meter.

About the project

The smart metres are managed by Online Smart Grid Technology, with online meter reading, disconnection and reconnection of meters, regulation of electricity load and several other features monitored and handled online.

The details on smart consumers can be accessed from the CESC's Smart Grid Control Centre and portal.

The remote metering technology can be accessed from mobile phones by the consumers and from the control room by the CESC. There is no need for the meter reader to visit the house where the smart meter has been fixed to take the reading.

The data can be accessed online as the smart meter is equipped with radio frequency chip. Even disconnection can be done sitting from the control room for non-payment of bills.

Where all it is installed?

The project has been implemented in 14 feeders covering Vontikoppal and Hootagalli Sub-Divisions comprising areas like V.V. Mohalla, Vontikoppal, Jayalakshmipuram, Gokulam, Paduvarahalli, CFTRI, Metagalli, Hebbal, Brindavan Extension and Hootagalli.

Bus services temporarily suspended

from City Bus Stand to H.D. Kote Hand Post

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (SPN&SD)- Mysuru KSRTC Rural Division Traffic Controller has temporarily suspended bus services from City Bus Stand to H.D. Kote Hand Post. According to reports, KSRTC has been incurring losses of up to Rs. 56.59 per km and hence has temporarily suspended bus services from City Bus Stand to H.D. Kote Hand Post with immediate effect.

Mysuru Rural Division Traffic Controller Hemanth Kumar informed that all other bus services from Mysuru Rural Bus Stand will remain operational except for this bus route.

Meanwhile, office-bearers of the Union have questioned the decision taken by the Central Committee. Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, one of the office-bearers opined that there was good response for Government bus services on this route, but the management had unnecessarily taken this decision, which would adversely affect travellers who are dependent on these buses.

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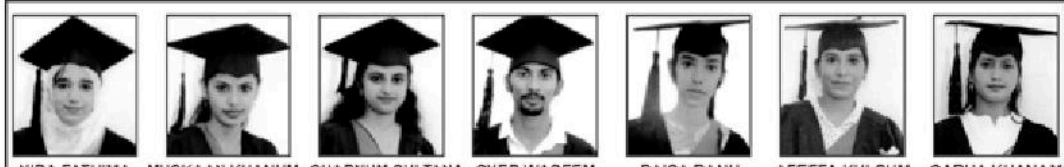
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First Class = 53 %
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We wish these successful students a very bright and grand future.
Dr. Syed Shakeeb Ur Rahman, President
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Razia Begum, Principal

NEWS BRIEFS

Apprentice Training

Technical Training Institute of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL), Bengaluru, has invited applications from candidates to provide full-term apprentice training in CNC programmer-cum-operator, electrician, welder, computer operator and programming assistant trade. General category and OBC candidates, who have passed SSLC with at least 60%marks and SC, ST and differently-abled persons with at least 50% marks are eligible to apply. Prescribed application forms can be obtained from the District Employment Exchange Office in N.R. Mohalla here and the filled in applications must be submitted before Nov. 10. [Ph: 0821-2489972]

Allowance for Law Graduates

The Minorities Welfare Department has invited applications from Law Graduates belonging to minority communities who have been selected for Judicial Administration Training, to avail training allowance, for the year 2020-21. Prescribed application forms can be obtained from the Department Office till Nov. 2 and the filled in application forms must be submitted before Nov. 12. For details, contact the Office of Minorities Welfare Department.

Scholarship

The University of Mysore (UoM) has invited applications from eligible SC / ST research students (20 numbers) for availing scholarship under the special SC/ST grants. SC/ST community students, who have scored more than 50 percent marks in Post-Graduate course from UoM and enrolled for research studies, are eligible to apply. Interested may obtain the prescribed application form by paying the application fee of Rs. 100. Filled-in application forms, along with all necessary documents, must be submitted latest by Nov. 20.

KRS Water Level

(Maximum : 124.80 feet)

Today	124.80 ft
Yesterday	124.80 ft
Inflow	7,668 cusecs
Outflow	7,412 cusecs

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(Maximum : 2,284.00 feet)

Today	2,283.43 ft
Inflow	1,048 cusecs
Outflow	1,850 cusecs

Harangi Level

(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,858.50 ft
Inflow	1,550 cusecs
Outflow	1,400 cusecs

MLA Nagendra launches MCC's Tax Collection Drive at K.G. Koppal

As part of 'Palikeya Nade Janateya Kade,' an initiative of the MCC for collecting tax dues from property owners at their door step, Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra on Thursday launched the initiative at Chamundeshwari Temple premises in K.G. Koppal (Ward 42), coming under MCC Zonal Office-3.

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (RKB&DM)-As part of *'Palikeya Nade Janateya Kade,'* an initiative of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) for collecting tax dues from property owners at their door step, Chamaraja MLA L. Nagendra on Thursday launched the initiative at Chamundeshwari Temple premises in K.G. Koppal (Ward 42), coming under MCC Zonal Office-3.

Speaking on the occasion, Nagendra said that there are 3,275 properties in the area, out of which owners of 1,616 properties have paid Rs. 1,79,63,708 as tax in total, while the owners of the remaining 1,659 properties have to pay tax dues of Rs. 2.56 crore.

Pointing out that developmental works have been hit due to pending property tax dues, Nagendra, while underlining the need for every property owner to pay tax, said that the drive will go on for the next three months, barring Government and public holidays.

Lauding the MCC's initiative of marching to the door steps of the people, who seem to be scared to come out in the wake of the rampant spread of the deadly COVID-19 pandemic, Nagendra sought the co-operation of property owners in K.G. Koppal to ensure the success of the MCC's unique drive, which has been launched for the first time.

He further said that property owners can pay tax at Chamundeshwari Temple premises, close to Chamarajapuram Railway Station, daily from 10 am to 4 pm on all working days.

MCC Zone-3 Assistant Commissioner Satyamurthy said that the MCC staff will sit on a stir (Mat Movement) in front of the houses of all defaulting property owners, who fail to pay their tax dues even during this drive. Also, the water, electricity and sanitary connections in respect of the properties of defaulting owners will be cut off and measures will be taken for attachment of properties, he added.

Corporator Shivakumar, former Mayor R. Lingappa and other officials were present.

Form Vigilance Squad to check footpath encroachment

R. Raghu Kautilya

Mysuru, Oct. 19- R. Raghu Kautilya, former Chairman of Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA), has stressed the need for forming a Vigilance Squad to check encroachment of footpaths.

In a press release, he has urged the District Administration, Police, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to jointly constitute a Vigilance Squad to protect footpaths from encroachment.

"The spacious footpaths has been the hallmark of Mysuru city, thanks to the vision of rulers. The MCC and Police have turned a blind eye to dumping of construction debris by citizens in city. Upon filing footpath encroachment complaint, what they will get is acknowledgement and not action. The encroached footpaths have marred the city beauty," he added.

Raghu further said, "Police can book cases under Section 283 of Indian Penal Code (IPC) against footpath encroachers and penalise them. But it was not happening due to some reasons. Need of the hour was to launch a major drive against footpath encroachment before it was too late."

Congress discusses strategy for strengthening party in district

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (RKB&DM)-The Congress, on Thursday, held a strategy meeting to discuss new plans for strengthening the party in the district at the grassroot level ahead of the forthcoming polls for various bodies.

The meeting took place at Jaladarshini Guest House, during which party leaders discussed plans for ensuring success of party candidates in Local Body, Co-operative and Milk Union polls.

The meeting entrusted Opposition Leader and former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah to take a decision on behalf of Mysuru District Congress in respect of the State youth Congress polls.

The other decisions taken included appointment of Booth-level agents for every Booth in respect of revision of electoral rolls and to take a decision at the local level in respect of welcoming leaders from other parties into the Congress.

Former MP R. Dhruvanarayan, MLAs Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah and Anil Chikkamadu, MLC R. Dharmasena, former MLAs M.K. Somashekar and Vasu, City Congress President R. Murthy, District President Dr. B.J. Vijaykumar, Youth leaders Sunil Bose, D. Ravishankar and others were present.

TEASER

By N. Prakash

BIHAR ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS – LJP CONFIRMS DECISION TO CONTEST OUTSIDE NDA BUT WILL SUPPORT BJP POST POLL
Opposing THEM ...but supporting HIM !!
I'm CONFUSED!! ...and that's the STRATEGY!!
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COVID-19 testing rates slashed

Bengaluru, Oct.19 (SSV)- To encourage citizens to undergo COVID-19 testing, the Technical Advisory Committee has now recommended the issue of fixation of rates for the following tests to be charged by the private laboratories and has ordered to fix the rates accordingly.

In a press release here, S. Honnamma, Joint Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department has said: Sample collection and transportation of government and private samples to the testing lab-Rs.400. RT-PCR test for Government referred samples to private labs-Rs. 800.

RT-PCR test for privately given samples to private labs when samples are given at labs- Rs.1,200. RT-PCR test for privately given samples to private labs when the samples are collected by the labs at home/residence-Rs.1,600.

TRU-NAT test for privately given samples at Private labs-Rs.2,200. TRU-NAT test for privately given samples to private labs when the samples are collected by the labs at home/residence-Rs.2,600. CB-NAAT test for privately given samples at private labs-Rs.3,800.

CB-NAAT test for privately given samples to private labs when the samples are collected by the labs at home/residence-Rs.4,200. Rapid Antibody Test/ELISA for privately samples at private labs-Rs. 500. Rapid Antibody Test for privately given samples at private labs-Rs.700.

The ceiling rates fixed included screening and confirmatory tests as well as the cost of PPE kit. Only for RT-PCR test government samples should be given to private labs.

Testing can be done only in the ICMR approved laboratories and all other conditions laid down by the ICMR and the State Government should apply, she said.

STERN ACTION

Medical Education and Health Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar has warned of stern action against private laboratories that will charge more than the rates fixed by the State Government for COVID-19 testing. He has tweeted "Technical Consultative Committee has fixed the rates for Coronavirus and all private laboratories must collect the same from the general public. Any lab which will collect more from the people will be dealt with severe action."

Silk Factory contract workers stage snap stir demanding regularisation

Mysuru, Oct.19 (PM&DM)- Demanding regularisation of service, contract workers of Silk Factory, under the banner of Silk Weaving Factory Employees Union, staged a snap stir in front of the factory on Manandawadi Road on Oct. 17.

Maintaining that an agreement was reached between Trade Unions and KSIC Management on appointment of kin of deceased employees on compassionate grounds, the protestors said that such appointments were suspended as the KSIC ran into losses twenty years ago.

During this period, the kin of workers who died while in service, who were supposed to be appointed on compassionate grounds, joined the factory as contract workers and have continued to do so for years without statutory benefits. But now as the KSIC is running under profit, the Government should regularise their services, they urged.

Claiming that the Court on Sept.15,2018, has ordered the KSIC to appoint 48 persons on compassionate grounds, the protestors alleged that the authorities were silent on the order and demanded that the KSIC management employ them immediately as several of them were close to maximum age limit.

Union Joint Secretary Anil Kumar led the protest.

KSIC to open six outlets at Mumbai

Even as Silk Factory contract workers went on a stir, Minister for Sericulture and Horticulture K.C. Narayanagowda visited the Silk Factory and reviewed its working.

As the protestors continued to raise slogans against the authorities and the Government, the embarrassed Minister asked the Trade Union leaders to be patient regarding their demands.

Later, speaking to presspersons, Narayanagowda said that the KSIC has planned to set up 4 to 6 showrooms in Mumbai, the commercial capital of the country.

Pointing out that Mysore Silk has gained worldwide reputation for its quality and speciality,he said that is important to promote Mysore silk on a much larger scale both internationally and domestically.

As such, four to six KSIC showrooms will be started in Mumbai for tapping the market potential for the famous Mysore Silk and other silk products of the State, he said and added that the Chief Minister has promised support for expanding the State's silk market.

Stating that he inspected the second plant that is coming up in the Silk factory, Narayanagowda contended that Sericulturists got a good price for their silk reels from the Government during the lockdown period. Asserting that the department was ready to extend benefits to workers, including payment of wages for contract workers during lockdown period, he said that Trade Unions must be patient, as the Government was considering their demands.

Centre rushes high-level Central team to State

To assist in strengthening containment, infection prevention and clinical management

New Delhi, Oct.19 (SSV)- In the wake of record increase in Corona positive cases and deaths, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has deputed a high-level Central team to Karnataka to assist in COVID-19 management.

According to a press release, team comprises of Joint Secretary (Nodal Officer for the State), one public health expert to look after the public health aspects, one clinician to look after infection prevention practices, clinical management protocol being followed by the State.

It will support the State efforts towards strengthening containment, surveillance, testing, infection prevention and control measures, and efficient clinical management of the positive cases. The team should also guide in effectively managing the challenges related to timely diagnosis and follow up.

Karnataka has reported 7,43,848 total cases accounting for 10.1 per cent of the national figure. It has 11,010 cases per million population. As many as 6,20,008 patients have recovered resulting in recovery rate of 83.35 per cent. The active cases are 1,13,557 (14.1 per cent of national figure).

The State has reported a total of 10,283 fatalities, Case Fatality Rate of 1.38 per cent and 152 deaths per million population. The Test Per Million (TPM) is 95,674 and Positivity Rate is pegged at 11.5 per cent.

As an ongoing effort to strengthen efforts of various State/Union Territory Governments for COVID management, the Central Government has been deputing teams from time to time to get a first hand understanding of the challenges and issues being faced by them so as to strengthen their ongoing activities and remove bottlenecks, if any.

Gokak like movement needed for implementation of Sadashiva Commission report, says activist

Mysuru, Oct.19 (RKB&DM)- Social activist P. Mallesh said that a Gokak-like-movement is necessary for forcing the Government to implement Justice A.J. Sadashiva Commission Report on internal reservation.

He was speaking after releasing the booklet titled 'Olameesalathi Kurithu Bakalamuni KBS Kone Nudi' at a programme organised by Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Studies, Research and Extension Centre in association with Matanga Sahitya Parishat, Karnataka at Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Studies Centre in Manasagangothri here recently.

Regretting that farmer and dalit movements have lost their strength over the years, Mallesh said Bakalamuni K.B. Siddaiah, who came from a Socialist movement background, was a pioneer of Dalit Sangharsha Samiti (DSS).

Pointing out that successive Governments have ignored the recommendations of Sadashiva Commission Report on inner reservation, he said that several stirs have failed in forcing the Government for its implementation. As such a mass movement like the Gokak Movement of the 1980's was needed for waking up the Government on Sadashiva Report implementation, he said and added that only a tactical movement can achieve success.

Centre Director Prof. K. Sadashiva presided.

Former Karnataka Lake Conservation and Development Authority member Prof. Jayaramaiah, Joint Director of Social Welfare Department N. Muniraju, University of Mysore Syndicate member Dr.M.S. Damodara, Dr.M. Srinivasmurthy and others were present on the occasion.

PM Modi pays tributes to Mysore rulers

*PROUD MOMENT: From left — **K.G. Kemparaju (MA Kannada - 6 Medals, 4 Cash Prizes); P. Renuka (MA Kannada - 6 Medals, 5 Cash Prizes); Matam Tejaswini (MBA - 5 Medals); Sunitha (MA Kannada - 7 Medals, 5 Cash Prizes); M.J. Shalini (M.Sc. Botany - 7 Medals, 3 Cash Prizes); R. Dhanalakshmi (MA Economics - 9 Medals, 4 Cash Prizes) and R. Roopini (M.Sc. Chemistry - 11 Medals, 2 Cash Prizes).***

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The PM said, since its inception in 1918, this Varsity has been doing 'Vidya Dhaan' to lakhs of students who in turn have contributed to the nation's development in their own way. The second President of India Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan had worked here and guided a number of students. The aim of students must not be restricted only to secure degrees but to serve the nation. Their life will change once they enter the real University campus from formal University campus. Noted Kannada littérateur, Gorur Ramaswamy Iyengar's famous quote *'Shikshanave Jeevanada Belaku'* (Education is light of life) has a lot of relevance now, he added.

Listing out the achievements of his Government since 2013, the PM said that the education system has undergone a sea-change in the last 5-6 years to match with the demands of 21st century. This was helping the students to prepare themselves for the next decade. Efforts are being made to usher in structural reforms in education system so that India will emerge as a global hub for higher education. The number of IITs, IIITs, IIMs and other premier institutions had been increased in the last five years to increase intake of students and make higher education accessible to everyone.

The Union Government has not only opened new institutions but it has also given importance to governance, gender social participation and more autonomy to take decisions. The medical education has been now made more transparent by starting National Medical Commission, he noted.

"Do anything to suit your talent as it will help in nation's growth. *Atmanirbhar* is important for you as well as for India," he added.

Earlier, PM Modi began his speech by wishing people of Mysuru for Dasara. He also spoke a few lines in Kannada wishing all students who have secured degrees, gold medals and cash prizes and also for teaching staff.

He also recalled the names of former UoM Vice-Chancellors of University of Mysore, Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan and Kuvempu. Modi said that it was Kuvempu who had christened the sprawling Varsity campus as 'Manasagangothri.'

Chancellor and Governor Vajubhai R. Vala, Higher Education Minister and Pro-Chancellor Dr. C.N. Ashwathnarayan, University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, Registrar Prof. R. Shivappa, Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. K.M. Mahadevan and others were present.

University of Mysore conferred Honorary Doctorate on Infosys Foundation Chairperson Dr. Sudha Murthy during Centenary Convocation of the varsity, in absentia.

Chancellor of Varsities, Vajubhai R. Vala, who attended the convocation from his Raj Bhavan office, conferred the doctorate to Sudha Murty.

Golden Girls

R. ROOPINI

R. Roopini, the top ranker in M.Sc (Chemistry), who bagged 11 Gold medals and 2 cash prizes, said that she is currently working as a Chemistry lecturer at Gopalaswamy PU College wants to enroll for Ph.D and pursue research. She said that her aim is to become a faculty of University of Mysore and teach students at the Post-Graduate level. Stating that she used to work hard with dedication and concentration for more than six hours a day, Roopini said that she followed all instructions given by her teachers, which largely helped in her success. She further said that she studied PUC at SDM College for Women, Krishnamurthypuram, Degree at Yuvaraja's College and M.Sc at Manasagangothri.

Roopini, a resident of city, is the daughter of Ravishankar, a two-wheeler rental operator and Ranjini, who works for Silicon Controls, an Inverter manufacturer in Mysuru.

R. DHANALAKSHMI

Dhanalakshmi, who bagged nine Gold medals and four cash prizes in MA Economics, is a resident of Ramakrishnanagar in the city. She is the daughter of Ravi, a businessman and Rani, a home-maker.

Crediting her achievement to her teachers and parents, she said that she had made reading a habit since her childhood days which helped her to excel. She further said that she used to get her doubts cleared from her teachers instantly, wasting no time which also helped her in achieving her goal of winning medals. Asked about her future plans, Dhanalakshmi said that she wants to take up the job of a lecturer right now and think about her future career later.

M.J. SHALINI

Shalini, who bagged seven Gold medals and three cash prizes in M.Sc Botany, is a native of Mrugavadhe in Teerthahalli taluk of Shivamogga district. She is the daughter of Jayashivamurthy, an agriculturist and Tara, a home-maker. She said that continuous and systematic studies helped her in becoming the top ranker in Botany. Pointing out that she used to undertake group studies with her fellow students, sharing texts and lessons, she said that she is very much delighted that she has bagged so many medals and prizes. She further said that she wants to pursue research in the subject.

SUNITHA

Sunitha, who bagged seven Gold medals and five cash prizes in MA Kannada, is a resident of Narasimhaswamy Layout in Hunsur town. She is the daughter of Kempegowda, a daily wager and Krishnamma couple.

She said that she is very much happy that she had realised the dreams of her parents, who had toiled hard for her studies. Maintaining that she had not expected to become the top ranker, though she was hopeful of passing out in distinction, Sunitha said she wants to pursue research at Manasagangothri and she has passed the State-Level Eligibility Test (SLET) for getting Fellowship.

She further said that she studied PUC and Degree at the Government College in Hunsur and did her MA at Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), Manasagangothri.

HIGHLIGHTS

- In total 29,018 candidates were conferred with different Degrees. Among them 18,344 (63.21%) were women candidates and 10,674 (36.78%) were men candidates.
- One candidate received D. Litt. Degree under Commerce faculty. (MBA-Agribusiness)
- In all, 654 candidates received Ph.D degrees in various subjects. Among them 264 (40.36%) were women candidates and 390 (59.63%) were men candidates.
- A total 392 Medals and 198 Cash Prizes were shared by 230 candidates altogether in all the five faculties. Among them 156 candidates are women.
- As many as 7,971 candidates were conferred with Master's Degree. 4,482 (56.22%) were women candidates.
- 20,393 candidates were conferred with Bachelor's Degrees. 13,598 (66.67%) were women candidates.

'Nearly 30 percent of school children have turned child labourers during COVID'

MLC A.H. Vishwanath releases academician Dr. Prasanna Hegde's work 'Corona Jothege Shaala Baduku' at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city yesterday.

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (PM&DM)- Expressing concern that nearly 30 percent of the 36 crore school children in the country have turned into child labourers due to poverty during COVID-19 times, MLC A.H. Vishwanath said, it is unfortunate that no debates are going on in the country over this serious issue.

He was speaking after releasing academician Dr. Prasanna Hegde's work '*Corona Jothege Shaala Baduku*' (Leading school life along with Corona) at a programme jointly organised by Jnanavardhini Educational Trust and District Sharana Sahitya Parishat at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city yesterday.

Stating that apart from child labour, child marriages too increased during COVID-19 crisis, Vishwanath said that Corona outbreak has given rise to several other serious problems which needs to be addressed at the earliest. Observing that elaborate debates and deliberations on what all precautionary and safety measures that have to be taken if schools and colleges were to re-open in the coming days, he said that it is disappointing that such purposeful debates, involving educationists, parents and people representatives are not taking place.

Noting that according to a survey, 1.5 crore children are studying in over 70,000 schools across the State, the MLC observed that imparting education to children amid COVID-19 crisis has become a huge challenge for administrators.

Pointing out that the World Health Organisation (WHO) has said that there will be no remedy for Corona sooner, he said that under such circumstances, everyone should be careful and follow precautionary and safety measures. "The book author has given some important and very useful tips on taking care and education of children during Corona and such other crises," Vishwanath said.

Stating that online education has come to the forefront due to Corona, he said that there is a lot of difference between online education and class education, where children learn in groups. Regretting that online education had become a way for money-making, he said that online education has more disadvantages and as such, running online classes will not guarantee that every child gets equal and quality education.

JSS Mahavidyapeetha's Director of Collegiate Education and Publications, Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, who spoke about the book, said that author Dr. Prasanna Hegde has highlighted the fact that schools are there for children and not otherwise. Noting that the book gives some important tips on child education, he said that the author has attempted to send a message that there should be no hurry in re-opening of schools and that a gap of one year will help mould the future of children for the next 100 years. He further said that the author has also thrown light on the fact that the health of children is very much important than school attendance.

DDPI (in-charge) M. Udaykumar, District Sharana Sahitya Parishat Mysuru President M. Chandrashekar, book author Dr. Prasanna Hegde, Beerappa, Zakir Hussain and others were present.

Progress review meeting

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Pointing out that the Centre's ambitious beautification project for the city would go for a waste if heaps of debris continue to pile up along the road, MP Pratap Simha said that he has directed the MCC to take stringent and punitive action against those dumping wastes along the Ring Road. He further said that he has directed ZP CEO D. Bharathi to identify an appropriate site on the outskirts of the city for dumping such wastes and construction debris.

"MCC Health Officer Dr. Jayanth wanted me to allot an ideal site near Srirampura for waste dumping, which I have assured of looking into," the MP said.

Continuing, Pratap Simha said that the Centre has sanctioned Rs. 69 crore for the MCC, with 25 percent of it meant for waste disposal, 25 percent for uninterrupted drinking water supplies and the rest for AMRUT (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation) Scheme and other projects.

"I have asked the MCC not to utilise this fund for providing Rs. 50 lakh development fund each to 65 Wards of MCC. Also, MCC has been directed to use this Centre's fund judiciously for funding only Centrally sponsored schemes for the city and also to ensure that there is no misuse," he said.

Referring to Waste Disposal Plant at Sewage Farm at Vidyaranyapuram, the MP said that it is learnt that 3 lakh tonnes of waste was lying at the site, with stench from the Plant covering an area of 5 sq.kms, posing a serious health hazard to nearby residents. Stating that measures have been taken for scientific disposal of waste at the Plant, he said that he was hopeful that the problem would be resolved soon with the Centre and the State evolving plans for permanent redressal of the long-standing issue.

Referring to plans for a Greater Mysuru covering villages surrounding the city, Simha said that he, along with MLA G.T. Devegowda and other people representatives, has sent a proposal to the Government for upgrading Koorgalli and Bogadi Gram Panchayats (GPs) into Town Municipal Councils (TMCs) and Kadakola into City Municipal Council (CMC).

"With the Election Commission gearing up for holding Panchayat elections shortly, we have asked the Government to withhold the GP elections to Panchayat Bodies in these three villages," he said.

Commenting on the MCC's recent resolution of naming a Circle near Lalitha Mahal Road after a late Corporator, Simha said that the MCC has no powers to name a Circle as the area comes under the National Highways. Maintaining that Government's sanction was needed for naming a Circle coming on a National Highway, he termed the MCC's resolution as illegal.

Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri, ZP CEO D. Bharathi, DHO Dr. T. Amarnath and a host of officials from a number of Govt. Departments were present.

Drawing contest

Mysuru, Oct. 19- Inner Wheel Club of Mysore South East is conducting drawing competition for children. Theme for children aged 10 to 15 years is Save Nature (Crayon or Colour Pencil) and theme for those aged 15 to 18 years is Safe Dasara (Poster Colour or Water Colour). The art must be on A4 size sheet.

Interested may send the student name, class, school name and the art on *WhatsApp* to Mob: 94802-18294. Last date for registration is Oct. 25 and last date to send entries is Oct. 30, according to Club President Shubha Muralidhar.

Obituary

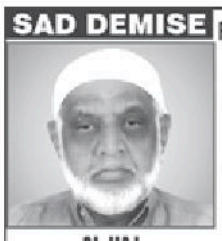
S. Subbanarasimhachar

Mysuru, Oct. 19- S. Subbanarasimhachar (93), a retired engineer and a resident of Siddarthanagar here, passed away on Saturday at a private hospital in Bengaluru due to age-related ailments.

He leaves behind sons Gururaja Rao, former Director of State Bank of Mysore and Sudheendra Rao, former Assistant General Manager of *Vijayakarnataka,* daughters-in-law, two daughters, sons-in-law, grand and great grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed in Bengaluru on Saturday.

SAD DEMISE



AL-HAJ S.K. MOKTHAR PASHA (82 years)

Retd., Railway Official, Ex -working President, Railway Pensioners Association HQ Branch Secretary, SRMU, Mysore.

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SWR to run Festival Special Trains from Oct. 20 to Nov. 30

Mysuru, Oct. 19- As the festive season of the country approaches in the wake of the novel Coronavirus pandemic, South Western Railway (SWR) has decided for operation of additional five pairs of festival special trains from Mysuru Junction. The trains will be operated between Oct. 20 to Nov. 30.

The decision to run the special trains was taken to cater to the demand of rush during upcoming festive season of *Durga Puja, Dasara, Deepavali* and *Chhath Puja*. These new festival special trains, however, will operate only till Nov. 30 and will not have a continued run.

The festival special trains will run as per the details mentioned below:

Sl. No.	Train No.	From Station	To Station	Frequency and day of service	Journey Commencing From - To	Stoppages, timing and composition will remain same as per Pre-COVID running of trains	Stoppages excluded
01	07301	Mysuru	Dharwad	Daily	21.10.2020 to 01.12.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 17301	—
02	07302	Dharwad	Mysuru	Daily	20.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 17302	—
03	06229	Mysuru	Varanasi	**Bi weekly** Tuesday & Thursday	20.10.2020 to 26.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 16229	Krishna
04	06230	Varanasi	Mysuru	**Bi Weekly** Thursday & Saturday	22.10.2020 to 28.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 16230	Krishna
05	06209	Ajmer	Mysuru	**Bi Weekly** Friday & Sunday	23.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 16209	Karjat, Kirloskarwadi, Lonavala, Palghar and Udhana
06	06210	Mysuru	Ajmer	**Bi Weekly** Tuesday & Thursday	20.10.2020 to 26.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 16210	Karjat, Kirloskarwadi, Lonavala, Palghar and Udhana
07	02785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	**Daily**	20.10.2020 to 29.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 12785	—
08	02786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	**Daily**	21.10.2020 to 30.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 12786	—
09	02577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	**Weekly** Tuesday	20.10.2020 to 24.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 12577	Sirpur Kaghaznagar
10	02578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	**Weekly** Saturday	24.10.2020 to 28.11.2020	Same as pre-COVID running of 12578	Sirpur Kaghaznagar

RPF issues DOs & DON'Ts for train travellers

New Delhi, Oct. 19 (Agencies)- The Railway Protection Force (RPF) has issued guidelines for travellers as the festive season is approaching.

The general public is counselled to desist from the following acts or omission while being in Railway Stations, trains or other Railway areas:

- Not wearing face mask or wearing mask improperly.
- Not maintaining social distancing.
- Coming to Railway area or Station or boarding a train after having tested COVID positive.
- Coming to Railway area or Station or boarding a train after giving samples for testing of Coronavirus and awaiting result.
- Boarding a train after having been denied to undertake travel by the health check-up team at the Railway Station.
- Spitting or wilful ejection of body fluid, waste in public areas.
- Activities which may create unclean or unhygienic conditions or affect public health and safety in Railway Stations and trains.
- Not adhering to any of the guidelines issued by Railway administration for prevention of spread of Coronavirus.
- Any other act or omission likely to aid in spread of Corona.

Those who violate these safety measures may be punished with imprisonment and fine under Section 145, 153 and 154 of Railway Act 1989, the Ministry said in a statement.

Railways ready to spare isolation facility in coaches for needy patients

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (PM&SSV)- Indian Railways is ready to allow the District Administration its isolation facility created in 128 coaches in Mysuru city to treat COVID-19 patients.

"We have already informed the District Administration about it. They can use facility at any time. However, the coaches will be stationed at one place and cannot be move to other places," Aparna Garg, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM), South Western Railway, Mysuru Division, told *Star of Mysore*.

With a view to treat Corona positive patients in isolation, the Mysuru Division had created Isolation Wards in 128 coaches fearing the shortage of beds in hospitals in the event of outbreak of pandemic across the country.

The State Government used Government Hospitals, ESI and private hospitals to treat Corona positive patients, but it did not think of using the Isolation Wards created by Railways. Besides, allowing Corona positive patients to take treatment at home resulted in lack of demand for the Railway Isolation Ward.

As many as 90 coaches available at Ashokapuram Railway Workshop and 38 old sleeper class bogies at Carriage Depot were re-designed. Provision has been made for 7-8 persons in each coach with medical facilities. Each coach is fitted with sufficient number of beds, cots, tables, screen, toilet, bath rooms, wash basin and dustbins. Such coaches are stationed in 13 districts which come under Mysuru Division. Already, these coaches were being used in Hassan and other places.

The biggest question here is why cannot Mysuru District Administration use this facility when Corona positive patients are striving hard to get beds in the Government Hospitals.

Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala alumni pay homage to former Principal BSS

Mysuru Sri Ramakrishna Ashram President Swami Muktidanandaji, Correspondent Swami Yukteshanandaji and Principal S. Balaji seen during the meeting held at Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala yesterday to condole the death of former Vidyashala Principal B.S. Srikantaiah. Picture right shows a section of Vidyashala alumni.

Mysuru, Oct. 19 (RKB&DM)- B.S. Srikantaiah, who had served as a teacher, Head Master and Principal of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala in Yadavagiri for decades and who passed away recently, was paid rich tributes at a condolence meeting organised by the Vidyashala Alumni Association in the Vidyashala premises yesterday.

Mysuru Sri Ramakrishna Ashram President Swami Muktidanandaji, who presided, said that **B.S. Srikantaiah, who was popularly called as BSS,** used to do any work entrusted to him, with dedication and determination. Noting that BSS used to observe everything around him closely, he said that he was a *'Karmayogi',* who dedicated his entire life for teaching Vidyashala students.

Pointing out that although BSS was not amongst us now, Muktidanandaji said that the efforts that he made for bringing discipline among the students and for the growth of the Vidyashala, remains etched in the minds of all those associated with the Vidyashala. He prayed for the departed soul to rest in peace.

Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Correspondent Swami Yukteshanandaji, in his address, said that BSS brought dignity to every work that he did. He further said that BSS used to do every job entrusted to him seriously and with utmost commitment.

Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala Alumni Association Secretary Dr. Sujaykumar, Keerthi Kumar, Mahesh Kumar, Dr. Rajashekar Chakravarthy, Srikrishna Shantakumar, retired teacher K.P. Anantha Padmanabha, Senior advocate G.R. Nataraj, M.P. Shyam and others too spoke and paid rich tributes to Srikantaiah.

Earlier, floral tributes were offered to the portrait of BSS.

A video on the life of BSS, his achievements and his services to the Vidyashala was screened on the occasion.

QS I.GAUGE Rating Certification of JSS Institutions

JSS Institutions excel in quality: Dy.CM

Mysuru, Oct. 19- Deputy Chief Minister (Dy.CM) **Dr. Ashwathnarayan** participated virtually in the award distribution ceremony of QS I.GAUGE Indian Colleges and University Rating to JSS Institutions held at Sri Suttur Mutt in city recently.

Ashwathnarayan

Speaking on the occasion, he said that JSS Institutions always excelled in quality and strived for quality benchmarking. He appreciated the efficient contributions of JSS Institutions for the development of the society as whole. He requested Swamiji to start educational institutions in other parts of Karnataka to support quality education.

Co-operation and District Minister S.T. Somashekar distributed awards to institution heads. He lauded JSS for providing education and job opportunities to rural masses and appreciated the support given by JSS Management towards controlling COVID-19 by providing excellent medical facilities to the society.

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji advised all JSS Institutions to grow by setting higher goals. He also said that parents today are more concerned about quality education and to make their children into socially responsible citizens. He appreciated QS for the support and guidance provided to JSS institutions in benchmarking quality standards in all services.

JSS Mahavidyapeetha Executive Secretary Dr. C.G. Betsurmath stated that JSS Institutions had worked hard and with dedication to achieve this rating and mentioned that QS I.GAUGE Rating system considered individual performance of institutions. Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor of JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (JSS AHER), mentioned in his address that JSS AHER being ranked among the top Universities in India, other institutions of JSS Mahavidyapeetha should also strive to achieve premier position and fulfil Swamiji's ideals.

Dr. Ashwin Fernandes, CEO, QS-ERA India, Pvt. Ltd., appreciated the commitment of JSS Institutions towards quality initiatives and congratulated them for successfully completing the QS I.GAUGE Rating process.

Dr. Surinder Singh, VC of JSS AHER, Dr. P. Nilani, Dy. Director, Bureau of Quality & Statistics, JSS AHER and R. Mahesh, Director, Medical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, were also present. Ann V. Kuruvilla rendered invocation. Niranjanmurthy, Assistant Director, Collegiate Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, compered the programme.

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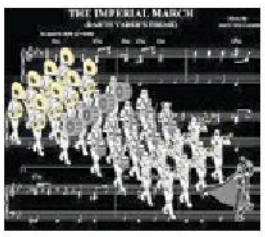
WORD OF THE DAY

Leitmotif



Pronunciation: LYTE-moh-teef.
Meaning: A melodic phrase or figure that accompanies the reappearance of an idea, person, or situation in a music drama; a dominant recurring theme.
Origin: The English word leitmotif (or leitmotiv, as it is also spelled) comes from the German Leitmotiv, meaning "leading motive," and is formed from the verb leiten ("to lead") and the noun Motiv ("motive"). In its original sense, the word applies to opera music; it was first used by writers interpreting the works of composer Richard Wagner, who was famous for associating a melody with a character or important dramatic element. Leitmotif is still commonly used with reference to music and musical drama but it is now also used more broadly to refer to any recurring theme in the arts or in everyday life.
Example: The overcoming of obstacles and a love of theater are the two leitmotifs of her autobiography.

THE ODD WORD

Laeotropic

Turning to the left.

IDIOM OF THE DAY

The last straw

Meaning: The final additional small burden that makes the entirety of one's difficulties unbearable.
Origin: The full version of this metaphorical phrase is 'the last straw which breaks the camel's back', which has an Old Testament sound about it. Searches there produce many references to straw and camels amongst the smiting and begetting, but no 'last straw'.
The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations lists it as a 'mid 17th century proverb', but offers no supporting evidence for that view. The earliest citation that I can find is from The Edinburgh Advertiser, May 1816: "MR. BROUGHAM remarked, that if it [a tax on soap] were only 3d. a head, or 4d. and 5d. upon the lower orders, yet straw upon straw was laid till the last straw broke the camel's back." Some authorities suggest that the phrase is a variant on an olde proverb 'it is the last feather that breaks the horse's back'. That may be so. The earliest I can find for that is after 1816 though and, of course, much later than mid 17th century. That's also from The Edinburgh Advertiser, in November 1829: "It may be very well for Mr. O'Connell, in his own exultation of heart, to ascribe the success of the Catholic Relief Bill to his 'agitation;' but the fact is, that 'agitation' was only the cause of Emancipation in the same sense in which it is true that the last feather breaks the horse's back."

QUOTE BOX

And he that strives to touch the stars, Oft stumbles at a straw.

—Edmund Spenser

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

EMOCLEW

Answer: Welcome Back.

SUDOKU

8			2					9
3							5	
	5	6	4				8	
						8		
	4		7		1		6	
		9						
	2				6	4	1	
	6							7
4					7			3

Answer to previous puzzle

4	5	1	7	8	2	9	3	6
2	6	8	4	3	9	7	5	1
9	7	3	5	6	1	2	8	4
5	4	6	9	7	3	1	2	8
7	1	2	8	5	4	6	9	3
3	8	9	2	1	6	5	4	7
8	2	5	6	4	7	3	1	9
1	9	7	3	2	8	4	6	5
6	3	4	1	9	5	8	7	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

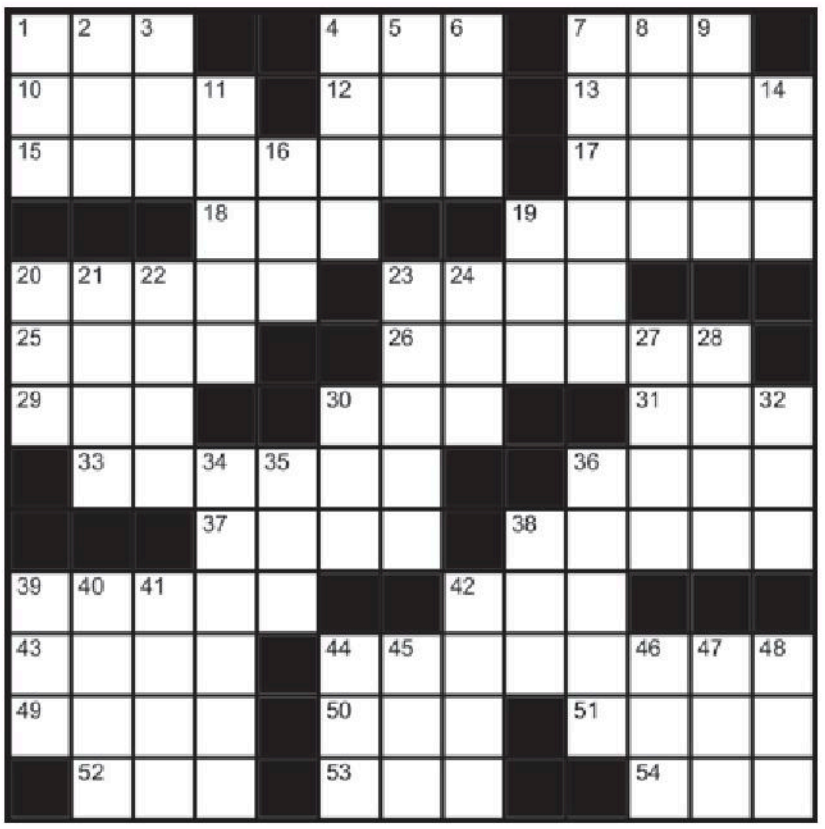
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 "Over" for the poet
4 The peak of a cap
7 Long and historical period of time
10 Chimney dirt
12 Samuel's teacher in the Good Book?
13 Points of pens
15 Avoided or evaded, in a way
17 On your own
18 Energy Design Technique, abbr.
19 Refers to
20 Venom or malice
23 Work doggedly
25 Forearm bone
26 French brandy
29 French for 'Duke'
30 Ancient Order of the Shepherds
31 Parent
33 Type of surfboard
36 Soybean product
37 Fabricator
38 Relaxed
39 Alaskan peninsula
42 Ash-container
43 Kind of cheese
44 Bring water to land
49 Columbus' ship
50 Scoundrel
51 Has or possesses
52 True Air Speed, abbr.
53 The solver
54 Equal Time Point

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

	O	A	R		M	B	E		B	E	A	
I	R	M	A		A	U	R		U	C	L	A
L	E	O	M	I	N	O	R		T	H	U	S
K	O	I		C	O	Y		A	T	O	M	S
			B	Y	E		I	W	O			
	S	P	A		U	R	G	E	N	C	Y	
	F	A	R		V	A	N		S	A	O	
	E	M	B	A	R	G	O		U	R	N	
			A	V	E		R	I	P			
L	A	U	R	A		B	A	T		E	N	D
I	D	L	I		M	O	M	E	N	T	U	M
D	O	N	A		L	O	U		A	O	N	E
	S	A	N		C	B	S		G	N	S	

DOWN
1 Sugar suffix
2 Greek goddess of dawn
3 Fabled bird
4 An amphibian, eft
5 Estimated life expectancy
6 Make an offer
7 Flag or banner
8 Mob violence or uprising
9 Having the capacity
11 Greek letter
14 Distress signal
16 Dutch commune
19 Gear tooth
20 Soapy water or soap bubble
21 A stone fruit
22 Peru native
23 Ransack, rifle or search
24 "L" in L.A. the famous city ?
27 Fusses
28 Small restaurant
30 Arab sleeveless garment
32 Flop
34 "Sal" and "Mal" go round for the animals
35 Latin trio
36 Latin American dance
38 Gad's son?
39 In short, Kentucky?
40 Modify the text
41 Mr. Patekar of Bollywood
42 Pakistani language
44 Very cold
45 Narsimha ___ : ex-Prime Minister of India?
46 Admiration or respect
47 It can move mountains
48 Sixth sense, in short



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PZQ NEA OEDWO HE KERQ BADQHSN, EZ

XE D GPFQ HE AJQ QPZLSAOJ?

TODAY'S CLUE: E EQUALS O

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Be careful about reading health books. You may die of a misprint.

Vid. Shashank Subramanyam performs at Mysore Palace

Vid. Shashank Subramanyam from Hassan presenting a flute concert at Mysore Palace last evening as part of the ongoing Dasara Cultural Programme. He is accompanied by Rajendra Nakod on tabla, Mysore H.N. Bhaskar on violin and P.S. Phalgun on mridanga. Today (Oct. 19), Vid. Rahul Vellal and troupe from Bengaluru will present Devotional Songs from 7 pm to 8 pm; Vidu. Geetha Ramanand and troupe from Bengaluru will give a Panchaveena concert from 8 pm to 9 pm.

KXIP registers win over MI in historic second Super Over

IPL 2020

Today's Match (OCT. 19)

CSK Vs RR
Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Tomorrow's Match (OCT. 20)

KXIP Vs DC
Dubai Intl. Cricket Stadium, Dubai, **7.30 pm (IST)**

Yesterday's Results

KKR 163/5 & 3/0
beat (in Super Over)
SRH 163/6 & 2/2

MI 176/6; 5/1 & 11/1
lose to (in 2nd Super Over)
KXIP 176/6; 5/2 & 15/0

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Dubai, Oct. 19- Kings XI Punjab (KXIP) defeated Mumbai Indians (MI) in Match 36 of IPL 2020, at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium, on virtue of a triumph in the second super over with the match tied.

Both the teams finished with the same score of 5 runs at the end of the first over, with MI losing 1 wicket and KXIP being 2 down. This forced the match into a historic second super over, where KXIP chased down a target of 12 runs following some excellent batting by Chris Gayle and Mayank Agarwal.

Earlier, KXIP finished with a score of 176/6, following a sublime 77 from skipper K.L. Rahul, after being handed a target of 177 runs, forcing the tie into the first super over. Jasprit Bumrah delivered a terrific performance, picking three wickets.

MI posted a total of 176 runs for loss of 6 wickets in 20 overs, after skipper Rohit Sharma won the toss and opted to bat. Quinton de Kock was the highest run-scorer, smashing 53 runs off 43 deliveries in an innings comprising of three boundaries and as many sixes. De Kock enjoyed quality support from Krunal Pandya, Kieron Pollard and Nathan Coulter-Nile who chipped in with valuable knocks. Mohammed Shami and Arshdeep Singh accounted for two wickets apiece, with English pacer Chris Jordan completing one dismissal.

KKR beat SRH

Lockie Ferguson's brilliant bowling display, first in the regulation play and then in the Super Over, guided Kolkata Knight Riders (KRR) to a thrilling win over Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) in Abu Dhabi yesterday.

BRIEF SCORES

MI: 176/6 (Quinton de Kock 53, Kieron Pollard 34*; Mohammad Shami 2/30) tied **KXIP:** 176/6 (K.L. Rahul 77, Nicholas Pooran 24; Jasprit Bumrah 3/24); **Super Over 1:** KXIP 5/2 tied MI 5/1; **Super Over 2:** KXIP 15/0 beat MI 11/1

KKR: 163/5 (Shubman Gill 36, Eoin Morgan 34; T. Natarajan 2/40) tied **SRH:** 163/6 (David Warner 47*, Kane Williamson 36; Lockie Ferguson 3/15); **Super Over:** KKR 3/0 beat SRH 2/2.

Mysuru Dasara 2020 Events

AT MYSORE PALACE

DASARA EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 19)

- **7 pm to 8 pm :** Devotional Songs by **Vid. Rahul Vellal** and troupe, Bengaluru.
- **8 pm to 9 pm :** Panchaveena by **Vidu. Geetha Ramanand** and troupe, Bengaluru.

DASARA EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 20)

- **7 pm to 8 pm:** Vachana Gayana by **Ambayya Nuli** and troupe, Raichur.
- **8 pm to 9 pm:** Dasavani by **Puttur Narasimha Nayak** and troupe.

NOTE: As there are COVID-19 restrictions, all the events will be telecast live.
VISIT: *https://mysore.nic.in/en/mysuru-dasara-2020/*

EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 19)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** 16th edition of Bombe Mane, an exhibition of exquisite dolls, Bombe Mane auditorium, #91, above 'Aamrapali Sarees' shop, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**
- **Indian Railways:** Railway Museum, KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, **up to 8 pm.**
- **University of Mysore (UoM):** Centenary Convocation, Presentation of degrees in the presence of Central University of Andhra Pradesh VC Prof. S.A. Kori, Crawford Hall, [Livestreaming on University website *(https://uni-mysore.ac.in/)*, YouTube Channel and Facebook page], **3 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Sri Ashta Dakshinamurthy and Sri Maha Dhanvantari Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Vocal Concert by Vidu. Vasudha Keshav and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 20)

- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Mahabhisheka, Sri Kushmabdadevi, Srividya Shabari Durga Puja, Saptashati Parayana, Lalitopakhyana Parayana, Sri Chakrarchane and Sri Sundarakanda Parayana, **8.30 am;** Sri Dasha Ganapati Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Indian Railways:** Railway Museum, KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, **10 am to 8 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** 16th edition of Bombe Mane, an exhibition of exquisite dolls, Bombe Mane auditorium, #91, above 'Aamrapali Sarees' shop, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Chandramoliswara Swamy Devasthanam Charitable Trust:** Mahaganapati Homa, Temple Road, Vani Vilas Mohalla, **11.30 am.**
- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Flute Concert by Vid. G. Mohanarangan and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

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Love Mocktail (K)	(S-3)	11.30 am
Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (Te)	(S-3)	4.10 pm
Shivaji Surathkal (K)	(S-3)	8.00 pm
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Shivarjuna (K)	(S-2)	3.30 pm
Kannum Kannum Kollaiyadithaal (Ta)	(S-1)	7.00 pm

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